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SUBJECT: Report on the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (Non-Storm Water)
Program Fund for Fiscal Year 2021

In accordance with Section 3121(5) of the 2004 PA 91 amendment to the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended, attached is the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy's (EGLE) report on the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (Non-Storm Water) Program Fund for fiscal year 2021.

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Legislative Report

National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (Non-Storm Water) Program Fund

**Report Period:
Fiscal Year 2021**

**Authority:
MCL 324.3121(5)**

This report fulfills the reporting requirement contained in Section 3121(5) of the 2004 PA 91 amendment to the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended.

The activities discussed in this report represent fiscal year (FY) 2021 activities performed in administering the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy's (EGLE) National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Program that were funded by the NPDES Fund.

Activity (a):

Subactivity	Fee FTE	Total FTE
Permit issuance and development	5.4	21.6
Compliance	15.3	60.6
Enforcement	0.2	0.8

There were approximately 62.1 full-time equivalent (FTE) positions in FY 2021 in this program that were not funded by the NPDES fees.

Activity (b):

EGLE received 324 NPDES permit applications.

Activity (c):

Subactivity	Fee-Funded Staff Hours	Total Hours
Industrial major	4,903	19,398
Industrial minor	8,313	32,889
Municipal major	16,308	64,520
Municipal minor	8,313	32,889
Municipal combined sewer overflow	455	1,800
Wastewater lagoon	1,060	4,194
Agricultural permit	1,606	6,634
No Discharge	2,846	11,260

Activity (d):

Subactivity	Permits Issued
Industrial major	5
Industrial minor	159
Municipal major	22
Municipal minor	35
Municipal combined sewer overflow	2
Wastewater lagoon	5
Agricultural permit	3
No Discharge	0
Concentrated animal feeding operation*	3
Ballast water*	24
Biosolids*	0

*These are additional types of permits that were issued but they are not covered by a fee category indicated in Section 3120(1); therefore, they are not required to be reported in activity (c), above.

Activity (e):

No permit applications were denied.

Activity (f):

Permit applicants withdrew 29 applications.

Activity (g):

The percentage and number of permit applications reviewed for administrative completeness within statutory time frames were 85.5 percent and 299, respectively.

Activity (h):

EGLE received 245 permit applications (76.5 percent) that were administratively complete as received.

Activity (i):

EGLE took final action for 51 out of 63 new permit applications (81 percent) within 180 days, and 137 out of 179 applications for reissuance (76.5 percent) within the required time frame.

Activity (j):

EGLE did not reopen any permits to put them in the proper basin year.

Activity (k):

There were four unfilled positions dedicated to the NPDES Program at the end of FY 2021.

Activity (l):

The amount of revenue in the NPDES Fund at the end of FY 2021 was \$151,664.14.